

mail, and MAJ E. L. Hoffman, United States Army Air Corps, for the development of a practical parachute.

While I am, of course, proud of the Gulfstream Development Team for winning this award, I am even more proud of the folks down in Savannah, GA, who build these world class aircraft. Without their skill and dedication to superior quality, Gulfstream's G550 aircraft could never have earned this recognition for excellence in aviation.●

COMMENDING WTOC-TV

● Mr. CHAMBLISS. Mr. President, I wish to congratulate an important news organization in the beautiful coastal city of Savannah. WTOC-TV Channel 11 is celebrating its 50th anniversary of television broadcasts. The station was founded as an AM radio station in 1929 by Savannah's Junior Board of Trade. Just as the Junior Board of Trade became Savannah's Jaycees, WTOC evolved into Savannah's first television station, beginning its first broadcasts on Valentine's Day, 1954.

In May 2002, WTOC scored yet another Savannah first by starting the area's first digital high definition broadcasts.

During its 50 years of service to Savannah and coastal Georgia, WTOC has provided news coverage for the community. During these years, its news team has won awards for their coverage of issues, including Emmies and Edward R. Murrow awards for news gathering efforts in 2003.

I commend the station's owners and staff for serving Savannah and its entire community for the past 50 years. I am confident they will continue covering issues and giving back to Savannah in the years to come.●

THE SESQUICENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY OF THE CITY OF GREEN BAY, WI

● Mr. FEINGOLD. Mr. President, today I commemorate the sesquicentennial of Green Bay, WI, one of the most famous cities in America, and one of Wisconsin's most beloved places.

Green Bay is Wisconsin's oldest European settlement dating back to the explorations of Jean Nicolet in 1634. Early fur traders and explorers used Green Bay and the Fox River as an important access point from the Great Lakes to the Western lands of the New World. Early French settlers called the bay, "La Baie Verte," because of its green waters. In the second half of the 19th century, European immigrants flocked to Green Bay for the good farming soil and ample business opportunities. The paper industry became a vital part of the Green Bay economy and remains the leading employer in the city today. Green Bay became a city when it was incorporated by the Wisconsin Legislature on February 27, 1854. Today, Green Bay stands with a

population of over 100,000 people as Wisconsin's third-largest city.

Today visitors can get a taste of Green Bay's long history at the Heritage Hill State Historic Park which offers a rare opportunity to visit one of Wisconsin's oldest wood homes, the Tank Cottage. Green Bay is also home to the National Railroad Museum, home of the world's largest steam locomotive and General Dwight D. Eisenhower's WWII command train.

Green Bay is known to many as Titletown USA as it is home to the world-famous Green Bay Packers, the real "America's Team." In 1919, Curly Lambeau, who worked for a packing plant, organized the original Packers football team. The team's popularity led to the packing plant backing Lambeau in obtaining a franchise in the new professional football league. Early financial problems were overcome by making the team publically owned, an honor that I am proud to say I am now a part of. The rest, as they say, is history. The Packers have gone on to win 12 championships, more than any other pro football team. Green Bay has been the stage for such great games as the 1967 Ice Bowl and such talents as Vince Lombardi, Don Hutson, Bart Starr and Brett Favre. Every year, people from all over the country make a pilgrimage to Green Bay to see the frozen tundra of the beautifully renovated Lambeau Field and visit the Green Bay Packer Hall of Fame.

Green Bay is a city with a distinguished history, a proud tradition of hardworking families and a bright future. Happy birthday, Green Bay. We are looking forward to the next 150 years.●

TRIBUTE TO BILL PARDUE

● Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, I would like to pay tribute to Bill Pardue, who until recently was the CEO of Lexis Nexis of Dayton, OH, which now owns Dolon Information of Oklahoma City, OK.

I have had the privilege of working with Bill and Lexis Nexis on various initiatives to help secure the homeland, and wanted to say a sincere thank you, on behalf of all Americans to Bill, to Lexis-Nexis, and to the thousands of people who make up that fine company.●

IN REMEMBRANCE OF FREDERICK BOOKER NOE II

● Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, today I would like to take the opportunity to remember Frederick Booker Noe II of Bardstown, Kentucky, the master distiller of Jim Beam Bourbon. He passed away on Tuesday at age 74 in his home in Bardstown, and will be greatly missed by his surviving family and the Jim Beam Brands Company.

In 1950, Mr. Noe entered the family business, the bourbon that is the namesake of his grandfather, Jim Beam. He

directed the production and aging of bourbon at Jim Beam and was named master distiller in 1965. While he oversaw production of Jim Beam Bourbon, production increased and innovations were made that revitalized the bourbon industry forever.

His friends considered him "larger than life," and "one of the crown jewels of American distilling." Jim Beam Brands honored him upon his retirement in 1992 by placing his photo on the bottle labels alongside the family distillers who preceded him. Kentuckians are proud of our bourbon, and we are proud of Mr. Noe's contributions to the industry. He will be greatly missed, and our hearts go out to his family during this time.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations and three withdrawals which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

REPORT RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE SCOPE OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY AND INVOCATION OF EMERGENCY AUTHORITY RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF THE ANCHORAGE AND MOVEMENT OF VESSELS INTO CUBAN TERRITORIAL WATERS—PM 64

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Pursuant to section 1 of title I of Public Law 65-24, ch. 30, 50 U.S.C. 191, and sections 201 and 301 of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1601 et seq., I hereby report that I have exercised my statutory authority to continue the national emergency declared in Proclamation 6867 of March 1, 1996, in response to the Cuban government's destruction of two unarmed U.S.-registered civilian aircraft in international airspace north of Cuba. Additionally, I have exercised my authority to expand the scope of the national emergency as, over the last year, the Cuban government, which is a designated state-sponsor of terrorism, has taken a series of steps to destabilize relations with the United States, including threatening to abrogate the Migration Accords with the United States